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HWY 2 OPEN from Leeds to Grand Forks; HWY 281 OPEN from Canada Border to Carrington; No Travel Advisory remains in Effect

The North Dakota Department of Transportation (NDDOT) and the North Dakota Highway Patrol have **OPENED HWY 2 from Leeds to Grand Forks, and HWY 281 OPENED from Canada Border to Carrington. A No Travel Advisory** remains in effect due to blowing and drifting snow creating near zero visibility and hazardous driving conditions.

Motorists should be aware the following advisories are still in effect:

- **HWY 52 CLOSED** from Portal to Brooks Junction, and from Minot to Carrington
- **I-94 CLOSED** _____
- **HWY 2 CLOSED** from Minot to Leeds
- **I-29 CLOSED** _____
- **HWY 83 CLOSED** from Minot to Bismarck
- **ND 5 CLOSED** _____
- **No Travel Advisory are in effect for** Williston, Dickinson, Minot, Bismarck/Mandan, Devils Lake, Jamestown, Valley City, Grand Forks, and surround areas. Motorists should take **No Travel Advised** seriously as those motorists who choose to travel at their own risk may become stranded and emergency responders may not be able to reach them safely.
- **Travel Alert** for Fargo, Mayville, Hillsboro, Casselton, Lisbon, Wahpeton, and surround areas.

The three categories are as follows:

1. **TRAVEL ALERT** – Motorists can still travel but may encounter areas of challenging

winter weather driving conditions on roadways. Motorists should allow extra time to reach their destination and be alert to conditions that may make travel difficult, change rapidly, or cause travel delays. A TRAVEL ALERT has the potential to change to a NO TRAVEL ADVISED if conditions deteriorate.

2. **NO TRAVEL ADVISED** – Motorists should not travel due to hazardous conditions which may make it unsafe to travel. Snowplows may be pulled from the roads during severe conditions. Motorists should take NO TRAVEL ADVISED seriously as those motorists who choose to travel at their own risk may become stranded and emergency responders may not be able to reach them safely. A NO TRAVEL ADVISED has the potential to change to a ROAD CLOSED OR BLOCKED if conditions deteriorate.

3. **ROAD CLOSED OR BLOCKED** – Motorists are not allowed to travel on a closed road due to life threatening conditions. The road may be impassible or blocked. Motorists who drive past a road closure device may be fined up to \$250.

Please be advised that road condition information on 511 and the travel map is updated daily from 5 a.m. until 9 p.m. CDT. The road report is based upon the information available to the NDDOT at the time of preparation and is provided solely as a public service. Conditions may vary from those reported.